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IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF COSTA RICA FOR HORSES EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The animals must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate issued by a veterinarian authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services (VS) veterinarian. The certificate shall contain the name and address of both the consignor and consignee and complete identification of the animals to be exported. Additional information shall include:

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

1. The United States is free from African horse sickness, dourine, glanders, epizootic lymphangitis, and Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis.
Los Estados Unidos están libres de peste equina Africana, durina, muermo, linfangitis epizoótica, y encefalomielitis equina venezolana.
2. The premises of origin are free of coital exanthema and ulcerative lymphangitis.
Los predios de origen se encuentran libres de exantema coital y linfangitis ulcerativa.
3. The animals originated from premises where abortion caused by *Salmonella abortus equi* and clinical cases of equine viral arteritis have not been reported to occur during the 12 months prior to embarkation.
Los animales proceden de predios en los que no se han reportado abortos causados por Salmonella abortus equi ni casos clínicos de arteritis viral equina durante los 12 meses previos al embarque.
4. The animals were vaccinated for eastern, and western encephalomyelitis at least 30 days and no more than 6 months prior to embarkation. (Name of product and date of vaccination must be included on the health certificate.)
Los animales fueron vacunados contra encefalomielitis equina del este y oeste al menos 30 días y no más de seis meses antes del embarque (Nombre del producto y la fecha de aplicación debe incluirse en el certificado de salud).
5. No clinical cases of equine rhinopneumonitis or influenza were observed on the premises of origin in the 6 months prior to embarkation and the animals were vaccinated against these diseases on _____ (date) with _____ (killed/modified live) vaccine.
En los predios de origen no se observaron casos clínicos de rinoneumonitis o influenza en los seis meses previos al embarque y los animales fueron vacunados el _____ (fecha) con vacuna _____ (muerto/vivo modificado).

6. The animals have been treated for internal and external parasites within the 30 days prior to embarkation.
Los animales fueron tratados contra parásitos internos y externos dentro de los 30 días previos al embarque.
7. The animals were isolated from animals not tested for exportation to Costa Rica from the first test until embarkation.
Los animales fueron aislados de aquellos que no se sometieron a pruebas de laboratorio para exportación a Costa Rica desde la primera prueba hasta el embarque.
8. None of the animals in this shipment originate from premises under any type of State or Federal quarantine for contagious equine metritis or any other equine diseases.
Ninguno de los animales de este embarque procede de predios que se encuentran bajo cuarentena estatal o federal por causa de metritis contagiosa equina u otra enfermedad de equinos.

TEST REQUIREMENTS **PRUEBAS**

The animals were negative to the following tests within 30 days of embarkation:

Los animales resultaron negativos a las siguientes pruebas realizadas dentro de los 30 días previos al embarque:

1. Equine Infectious Anemia: Agar-gel immunodiffusion (Coggins) test, OR ELISA test.

OTHER INFORMATION

1. Foals under 5 months of age, when accompanying the dam, are not required to be vaccinated or tested prior to export.
2. Note: if the animals were vaccinated against Venezuelan encephalitis, indicate product used and date of vaccination on the health certificate.
3. Consular stamping is no longer required.

EMBARKATION CERTIFICATION

At the port of embarkation, a VS port veterinarian shall attach to the U.S. Origin Health Certificate, the Certificate of Inspection of Export Animals (VS Form 17-37) showing:

1. The name and address of the consignor.
2. The name and address of the consignee.
3. The number and species of animals to be shipped.
4. A statement that the animals have been given a careful veterinary inspection at the port of embarkation and found free from evidence of communicable disease and exposure thereto within 24 hours of exportation.